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Ass't. Director for Collection & Dissemination

24 April 1947

Chief, ICAPS

Centralized Interdepartmental Dissemination

- Ref:
- (a) Memorandum dated 18 March 1947, signed by the Ass't. Director, C & D, same subject.
  - (b) Memorandum dated 19 March 1947, signed by Chief, ICAPS, same subject.
  - (c) Memorandum dated 11 April 1947, signed by Ass't. Director, C & D, same subject, with enclosure.

1. The study submitted to ICAPS under reference (c) is approved in principle.
2. It is returned herewith with a recommendation that the proposal and its problems be discussed at the working level with members of the several agencies which might be involved in an attempt to obtain working level reaction to its practicability, advantages and disadvantages. In these contacts, emphasis should be placed on the fact that the study is not a formal CIG paper and that agency concurrence is not being requested. It should also be emphasized that it is not contemplated that the plan be applicable to wire communications.
3. The preliminary reaction of ICAPS is that due to its far reaching implications and ultimate effect on agency procedures the plan should eventually be promulgated as an NIA Directive. Should this procedure be determined upon, the question will arise as to whether CIG should sponsor a complete dissemination program, including the teletype grid plan previously developed in your office and such other dissemination procedures as may be considered necessary or whether it would be advisable to undertake to resolve the one segment covered by the attached study.
4. It is, therefore, suggested that OCD members in discussing this study with agency members attempt to obtain a reaction to these two manners of approach.

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